



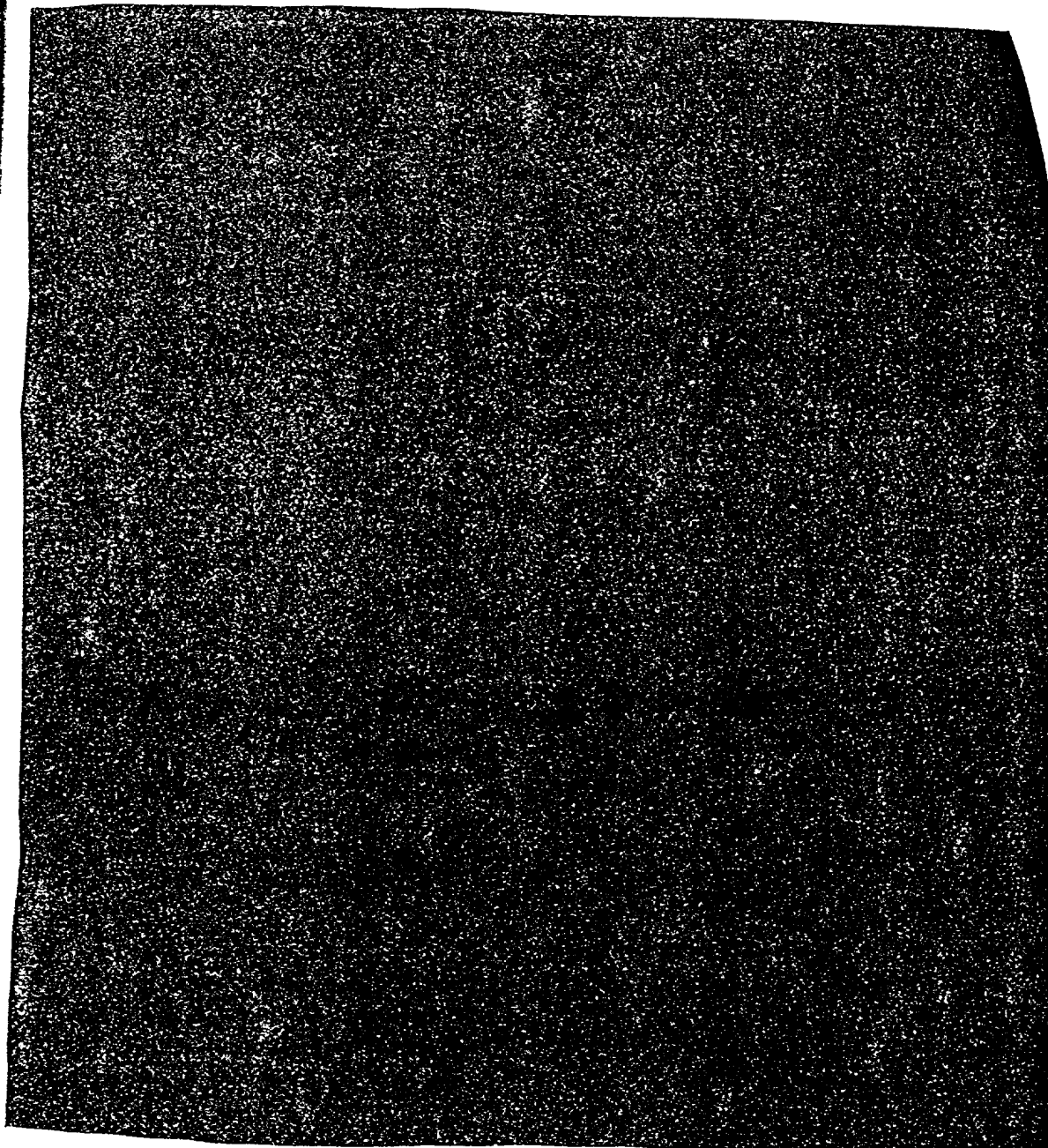
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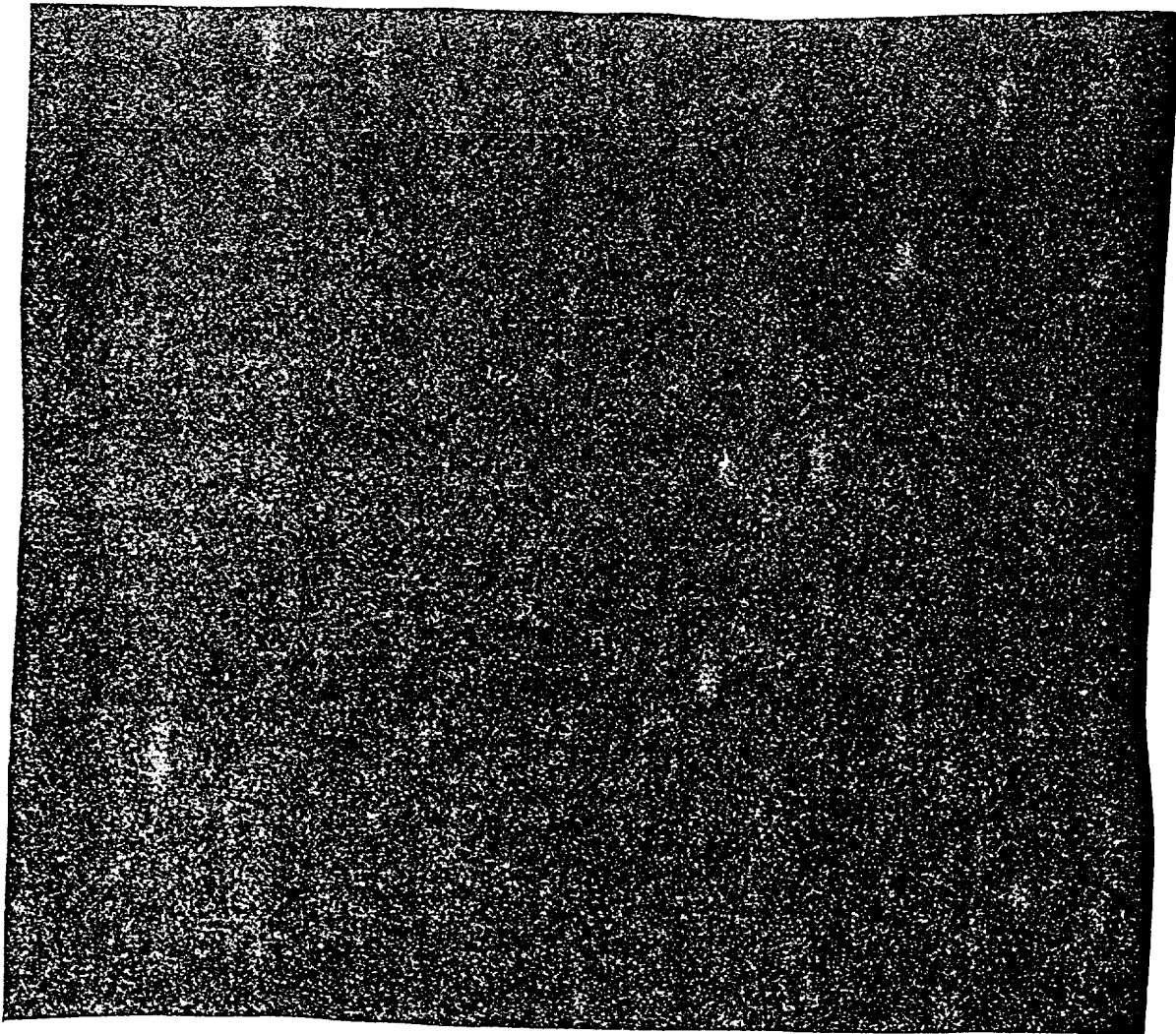
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EC Boosts Aid to Frontline States

The European Community agreed yesterday to divide \$650 million in new aid among Egypt, Turkey, and Jordan to compensate them for economic damage resulting from the Gulf war, according to press reports. The EC said the aid would be used to pay for imports of equipment and spare parts and to help refugees who have fled from Iraq and Kuwait. The EC may announce soon an emergency aid package for Palestinians in the Israeli-occupied territories.

Comment: The EC and its member states reportedly have committed about \$2.2 billion to Egypt, Turkey, and Jordan since the Gulf

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crisis began. The World Bank has predicted that the economic losses to the three countries as a result of the crisis may amount to over \$13 billion by the end of this year. [REDACTED]

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